

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA  
INDIANAPOLIS DIVISION

HOMER E. HOSKINS,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	
	)	
vs.	)	No. 1:15-cv-00262-TWP-TAB
	)	
IPD,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

**Entry Discussing Request to Proceed on Appeal *In Forma Pauperis***

The plaintiff seeks leave to proceed on appeal without prepayment of the appellate fees of \$505.00. An appeal may not be taken *in forma pauperis* if the trial court certifies that the appeal is not taken in good faith. 28 U.S.C. § 1915; *see Coppedge v. United States*, 369 U.S. 438 (1962). "Good faith" within the meaning of § 1915 must be judged by an objective, not a subjective, standard. *See id.*

There has been no final judgment in this action. In pursuing an appeal, therefore, the petitioner "is acting in bad faith . . . [because] to sue in bad faith means merely to sue on the basis of a frivolous claim, which is to say a claim that no reasonable person could suppose to have any merit." *Lee v. Clinton*, 209 F.3d 1025, 1026 (7th Cir. 2000). Accordingly, his appeal is not taken in good faith, and for this reason his request for leave to proceed on appeal *in forma pauperis* [dkt 7] is **denied**.

The Court notes that the plaintiff has consistently failed to provide a valid address to the Court, so this Entry and Judgment will not be placed in the mail. *See* No. 1:15-cv-304-RLY-DKL (March 4, 2015). As he often does, he may pick up a copy of this Entry in the Clerk's Office,

Room 105 of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, 46 East Ohio Street, Indianapolis, IN 46204.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Date: 3/6/2015

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Tanya Walton Pratt", written over a horizontal line.

Hon. Tanya Walton Pratt, Judge  
United States District Court  
Southern District of Indiana

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